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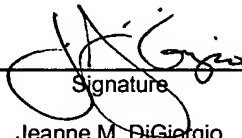
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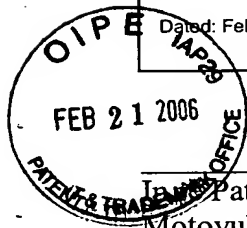
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Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in a European Search Report issued January 16, 2006, during the prosecution of European application no. 03811127.4-2405, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the European Search Report and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

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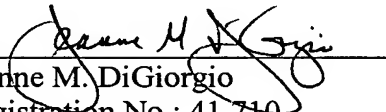
Furthermore, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.704(d), Applicant(s) note(s) that to our knowledge this communication was not received by any individual designated in 1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of this statement.

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